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Editor and Proprietor

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Council Proceedings

The regular monthly meeting of the town Council was held on Wednesday evening of this week. Present: Mayor McKay and Couns. West, MacEachern, Finch, Swoboda and Gould. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Inward and outward correspondence were then read.

A letter was read from Mr. Taylor, of Strathcona, regretting that he could not accept the position of electrical engineer for the town at the salary offered him. A discussion then took place on the question of an engineer. Several applications were in the hands of the clerk, which were read and on motion of MacEachern—Gould—The clerk was instructed to correspond with the three most favorable applicants; namely, W. E. Heist, of Edmonton ; L. F. Farris, of Goderich, Ont., and Mr. Plummer, of Field, B.C., to obtain further information.

In a letter from Wm. Whyte, second Vice-President of the C. P. R., that gentleman stated that Mr. J. S. Dennis, who is superintendent of the irrigation work near Calgary would be sent here to look into the question of opening and closing streets grading the spur line to the power house, etc. Another letter was also read from Mr. Whyte, stating that in all probability Lansdowne street would be closed and Pearce street would be opened. As no reference was made to the time when this alteration might take place it is inferred that nothing will be done this year.

The wire for the electric lighting arrived a few days ago but one bundle is missing. The clerk was instructed to look after the sending of a tracer after same.

A lengthy discussion then took place regarding the erection of the electric light power house. On motion of Swoboda—Gould—It was agreed to advertise for tenders in this week's issue of The Times for the erection of same.

A communication was received from Compton & Monigomey directing the attention of the council to the low places in the grading in front of their store.

On motion of MacEachern—Swoboda—the public works committee was instructed to fix up both sides of Pearce street, so that the water will drain away from the collars.—Carried.

The clock was instructed to look after the registration of the transfer of the property of the power house site.

A communication was received from V. C. James, manager of the Merchants Bank, requesting that the council arrange to cover by note the amount of the money borrowed by overdraft. Coun. MacEachern introduced a by-law, without notice of motion, to cover by note the overdraft at the Merchants Bank, up to \$10,000, the limit of the borrowing powers, and authorizing the mayor and secretary-treasurer to sign same. The by-law was read the first, second and third time, and finally passed.

Mr. James also requested that the \$25,000 electric light debt be covered by note in the same way, but Coun. West objected to action being taken at that meeting, contending that legal advice be secured on the question first. The matter was therefore held over.

Ed. Nunnelley then addressed the council requesting that his horses be released from pound, He stated that they were kept in Mr. Bieber's pasture and got away on account of the fence being torn down. He found them in the fair ground but before he could remove them the constable placed them in pound. He requested their release as other stock had been running at large all summer and had not been molested, while his stock was at large only a few minutes. The mayor stated that there was a by-law preventing him empaneling all the extra animals, but because he had fulfilled his duty in this case he could not be concerned. Mr. Nunnelley referred to a section of the ordinance pointing out that he had not been legally notified of the empaneling of his horses and on that ground contend that the fees could not be collected. On motion of MacEachern—West—The question of Mr. Nunnelley's horses will be referred to the town solicitor.—Carried.

ried. D. T. Lenoir then asked the council to build a crossing from his place of business to the sidewalk across the street. He was informed that the street work had been suspended for the present, and it was doubtful if funds would permit the granting of a grain elevator in town by the Alberta Grain Co. The site chosen is immediately north of the B. & K. elevator on the east side. The building will be 34 feet wide and will have a capacity of 40,000 bushels. Up-to-date machinery will be installed. It will also have a wagon scale, and a double set of elevators, driven by a 12-horse power gasoline engine. This edifice will make the fourth elevator in town, and there is rumor that a fifth will be built before the snow flies.

On motion of Finch—Swoboda—the accounts which had passed the financial committee, amounting to \$3947.17 were passed for payment.

Meeting thus adjourned.

Church Chimes

The Methodist Sunday School had a very pleasant picnic in Lucas' Grove Monday afternoon last. A large crowd was present and all had a delightful outing.

The Presbyterian Sabbath School held their annual picnic at Peace Hills on Labor Day, when a large crowd of children and adults had a very pleasant time.

The Edmonton financial district meeting is being held in the Methodist church here this Thursday and Friday.

Miss Jamieson, a returned missionary from Central India will address a public meeting in the Presbyterian church next Sunday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

Smoky Hollow

We do not generally endorse the sentiments advanced by this or any other Correspondent.

The Editor of the Times, Dear Sirs—

In view of the fact that you have always taken a firm attitude in your vigorous paper in favor of the support of our local tradesmen and against the practice of buying from mail order houses and peddlers again, it's only fitting for you to do the same for ducks should be extended to the same date as the prairie chicken shooting, and both open concurrently.

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Dear Sirs—

As I have no time to write a full report of the claims, the statement of their accounts will be omitted. I will however, by this date, verify by Statutory declaration that the debts of the estate will entitle the assets en-
titled to the debts to be distributed among the parties entitled to receive them, and will be entitled to receive the same, which will be paid to him when he has notice and will not be liable to pay any more than the amount due him, and will be entitled to receive the same, which will be paid to him at the time of such notice.

Do I understand, Edmonton, Alberta, this 1st day of September 1904.

WILFORD FORBES,
21-31
Advocate for the Assignee.



Imperial Bank

OF CANADA

HEAD OFFICE - TORONTO
Capital Authorized - \$4,000,000
Capital Paid Up - \$3,000,000
Rest - \$2,950,000

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Regina, Revelstoke, Prince Albert,
Victoria, Vancouver, Victoria, Wetaski-
win and Winnipeg.

Tenders Wanted

Tenders will be received by the under-
signed up to a certain time on Thursday Sept. 8th
in the office of the Imperial Bank,
Plains and specifications may be seen at the
office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily
selected.

J. YOUNG BYRNE
Secretary treasurer.

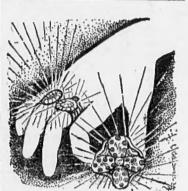
Notice

Take notice that the Canada & Elbow-
ton Railway Company on the 19th day of August
1904, filed a petition in the Supreme Court of
Alberta, in the North-West Territories, under
the map or plan profile and book of reference
of the railway, for the assignment of the
same to the Imperial Bank of Canada, assignee
of the 20th June, 1904 to be constructed, as per
the Canada & Elbowton Railway Company's
Deed of Assignment, executed on the
20th June, 1904, in a certain portion being located
in the Township of Elbowton, in the District of
North Borden, in the Province of Alberta.

Dated at the City of CALGARY, on the 23rd
day of AUGUST, A. D. 1904.

For the Canada & Elbowton Railway
Company.

J. H. D. BENSON,
Manager, Wetaskiwin Branch



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About 200 Head Surplus Stock to be Sold at a Snap

Weather Bulletin.

The following table gives the maximum
and minimum temperatures for the
past week as shown by J. H. Walker's
government thermometer.

The report is taken at 8 a.m. each
day and includes Wednesday of this
week.

MAX MIN

Thursday.....	80	50
Friday.....	80	55
Saturday.....	75	45
Sunday.....	75	42
Monday.....	62	38
Tuesday.....	72	49
Wednesday.....	72	40

For want of space, under
was omitted.

If you find out what you can get them
for at the Bankrupt Stock Store,
Pearce St.

Parties wishing to start ranching
will do well to see these before buying
elsewhere, as the stock is all well-bred
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TERMS—Either cash or time.

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An opportunity to secure First-class Goods at such ridiculous prices comes but once in a generation.

Your best interest will bring you here during this sale.

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The Bankrupt Stock Store.



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We have just received our fall line of Heaters.

Also a large stock of Stoves and Ranges to choose from.

All styles and prices.

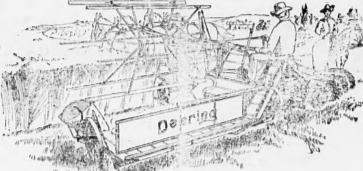
Liberal discount for the next few days.

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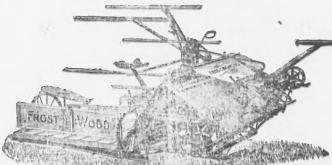
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Repairs constantly in stock.

Agricultural Report

The sixth annual report of the Department of Agriculture has just been issued. The report proper consists of 15 pages full of facts and figures which will be perused with interest by those who wish to keep in touch with the agricultural, social and economical progress of the Northwest Territories. The volume is divided into twelve sections, as follows:—Crops, live stocks, agricultural experiments, agricultural educational work, general notes on agriculture, transit and markets, Territorial industries, colonization, miscellaneous services, public health, office work and organization. The twelfth section, appendices, consists of the annual reports of the secretaries of the various Territorial Live Stock associations and the Territorial Natural History society. The report is very fully indeed, and some good illustrations will be found at the end of the book. Copies of the report may be obtained free of charge upon application to the deputy commissioner, department of agriculture, Regina.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND STATISTICS

The usual tables of precipitation and temperature, etc., will be found under this heading, and these will no doubt be perused carefully by intending settlers and investors in Northwest lands as well as those progressive farmers who realize the important relations of meteorology to agriculture in all its branches. A brief history and interesting comparative statement is given of the business of hail insurance as carried on under the Northwest government's scheme.

CROP STATISTICS

This now covers a period of 6 years in which the production of wheat and oats has more than quadrupled. One of the districts marked in previous reports as "not yet under settlement" now shows substantial yields of the various grains. The average yield per acre of the leading crops for the whole Territories are: Wheat 10.42 bushels, oats 31.52, barley 23.30. Statistics of fall wheat are this year given for the first time. The crop was produced for the most part in Alberta. The total yield was last year 32,420 bushels, yield per acre 23.80 bushels. On page 31 a table shows the production and average yield per acre of grain in certain of the Western States, the province of Manitoba and Ontario, and the North-west Territories. The chief weed inspector's report draws attention to the increasing trouble caused by the spread of Blue Bar and Russian Pigweed and that the public opinion seems to be in favor of these being listed as noxious weeds. A review of the weeds found most troublesome during the year is given.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This subject is very fully dealt with in its various phases in the report of several Live Stock associations, which from appendices to the departmental report. There is a note on the working of the new horse breeders' ordinances. This ordinance has created much interest among those interested in horse improvement, both locally and in the United States. On page 40 will be found a list of stud books recognized by the Dominion of Territorial departments of agriculture. Under "stallion syndicates" the report draws attention to the evils which are found to exist in connection with this system. The remarks on fattening steers on the farm should be of interest to farmers in the mixed farming district. Pages 50, 51 and 52 present the usual statistics of the production of the Territorial creameries under the management of the Dominion government. The stock improvements are somewhat disappointing, but as the secretary of the Cattle Breeders' association points out, 1903 was an off year in cattle business. An inquiry was made by the department into the causes of the abortion in sheep, the results of which will be found on page 53. It is suggested that the early use of native grasses may be a probable cause of this trouble and illustrations are given of ergotized heads of two varieties of these. Under the head of "Swine" are the usual statistics of prices and reports on the auction sales of pure bred swine, carried out under the auspices of the department. It is interesting to note that last year the department was able to procure the swine for these sales from breeders within the Territories, the animals purchased being for the most part the progeny of those brought in by the department of Ontario and disposed of by auction in former years.

BRANDS

The department's records contained at the end of the year 30,545 brands—the business of the year in this branch

showing a large increase over 1902. The trials of branding fluids have not yet demonstrated that such compounds are suitable for practical range work. The experience of several users of the fluids are given.

EXPERIMENTAL WORK

Mr. George Harcourt, D.S.A., who is in charge of this branch of the department's work, presents an illustrative article on the results of last year's operations in this line. The results of the tests of Dwarf Essex rape, corn and beans, are set forth in tabular form.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Under this head properly appears the report of the superintendent of fairs and institutes (Mr. Geo. Harcourt, D. S. A.) and his remarks, especially those relating to Farmers' Institutes and Agricultural fairs, should be carefully perused by directors and secretaries of agricultural societies. One hundred and six institute meetings were held during the year. A development of this feature of the work has been the holding of live stock judging schools at central points during the winter months. These proved a great success.

GENERAL NOTES

Under this head reference is made to the attempts made by the officials of the Dominion experimental farms to obtain an earlier ripening variety of wheat than Red Fife. The new wheat known as Early Ripe, promises well. There are also notes on the production of barley for malting purposes, oats, hay and steam cultivation.

TRANSPORT AND MARKETS

The possibilities of the Orient as a market for western flour is dealt with under this section. A table on page 115 gives statistics for the exports of flour and grain from the Territories. Other tables show weekly average prices of No. 1 hard wheat during the year, and elevator capacity. The question of producing malting barley for export also receives consideration.

TERRITORIAL INDUSTRIES

This is a new section of the report and contains some interesting figures as to the flour milling industry of the Territories. Attention is drawn to the disadvantages of exporting whole wheat.

COLONIZATION

The usual statistics appear under this head and bear striking testimony to the progress of settlement.

APPENDICES

These consist of the annual reports of the Territorial Cattle Breeders' association, Territorial Horse Breeders' association, Territorial Sheep Breeders' association, Territorial Swine Breeders' association and the Territorial Natural History society, all of which will repay careful perusal. Write to Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, Regina, N. W. T., for a copy of this interesting book.

HILLSDIDE

The proposed road to town, some 3 miles from Hillside, has now been surveyed and the long the suffrage road and the mongrel dog, which has already bitten three people, will be left to the north at about the road will. But whether the brute be allowed further practice with his jaws, with more damage to humanity, is for them to decide, for its owner has stated it is on its own ground and he shan't fix it up. In his action according to law he is probably safe until the new road is ready. At any rate the mongrels benefit it would be advisable to curtail its proclivities.

In most civilized countries a dog is allowed one bite and no more, and that is usually more than sufficient for the victim.

On Friday last the Rev. Law, of Millett, paid a visit to Hillside. It is to be hoped he will soon see his way to conduct divine service occasionally on Sundays in the schoolhouse. He certainly would receive a warm welcome and a good attendance. It is noteworthy that ministers of any denomination have never had cause for complaint either as to congregation or hospitality. So why we have been too booted so long by having no spiritual adviser is rather a puzzling question and resolves itself as follows:—Are we worth looking after or not?

The weather has been good and so have the roads.

Another Week

OF

Bargains.

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This week we will endeavor to excell all others.



Heather Bell Tea always in stock. 45c a lb. or 5 lbs. for \$2.00.

2 Tins of Tomatoes for 5c.

7 lbs. pails of Jam, all kinds, for 65c.

See our bargain half of Men's Hats, worth from \$2 to \$4.50. You choose this week for \$1.50. Don't miss this chance to get a good cheap hat.

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This line we are always in the lead. Everything fresh and new.

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Men's Black Oiled Grain and Oiled Tan Waterproff Boots, very heavy soles, worth \$4, this week for \$3.

The same line in tan worth \$4.50, this week for \$3.25.

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Fresh Fruit always in stock.

McLaughlin, Sharpe & Price,
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Ladies' Favorite. Is the only safe, reliable medicine for the cure of skin diseases. It can depend in the hour for a cure. Prepared in two degrees of strength. No. 1—For ordinary cases. No. 2—For ordinary cases of medicine known.

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Telephone: Office No. 24 House No. 41
R. D. Robertson, M.D., M.C. Graduate of McGill University Montreal Offices and night calls, The Hall building, Pearce street
Dr. Baldwin, Medical Temporary office at J. H. Walker's Drug Store. Accommodation must be arranged for in advance
R. de L. Harwood, M.D., C.M., Physician and Surgeon Office over Imperial Bank Night calls after 9 P.M. at residence, Dufferin St.
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G. G. Stewart, M.D., C.M. L. R. C. & E. Edinburgh, Scotland. Office in residence, Rossdale, Alta. Home every Saturday for consultation.
J. W. T. McEachern, M.D. C.M. Graduate Medical University, Montreal
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DENTISTRY
Lachman & Hoar Bendtsen All kinds of dental work done by the latest improved methods. Crowns and bridge work a specialty. Office over Merchants Bank - Wetaskiwin
Dr. Caesar Honorary Dental of the Pennsylvania College of Dentists, Lancaster, Pennsylvania Orthodontic, Gold and Crown and Bridge work. West Block, opposite Imperial Bank
VETERINARY.
W. Dudgeon, Veterinary Surgeon Graduate of Ontario Veterinary College and Toronto School of Veterinary Surgeons. Treats all diseases of domestic animals. Office at Criterion liver stable, Wetaskiwin
LEGAL
M. E. O'Brien, Barister and Notary Public. Solicitor for Bank of Nova Scotia. Solicitor for H. G. Dus & Co. Offices over Merchants Bank - Wetaskiwin
A. S. Rosehill Notary Public and Conveyancer Wetaskiwin, Alta.
E. D. H. Wilkins. E. H. Wilkins Advocates, Notaries, Esq. Solicitors for The Merchants Bank. The Imperial Company and Private Funds to Loan. Offices. Over Imperial Bank.
Wilford Forbes Advocate Notary Public and Conveyancer Money to Order Office over Mrs. Ashton's Restaurant, Wetaskiwin, Alta.
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ARCHITECT
F. J. Lawson. Architect, Late assistant to Sir Alexander Ross, Architect, Inverness Scotland. A. & W. Ross, Architects, London, Ont. Offices now Normal Block, Calgary Temporary office Ellis Block, Wetaskiwin P. O. Box 676.
LODGES
Morts in Old Yellow Hall every Sunday evening at 8 P.M. Lodge at 8 o'clock. Visits and meetings always welcome. H. D. Morris, T. G. H. C. Ross, Secy.
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War News

London, Sept. 3.—A despatch dated Sunday from field headquarters of the second Japanese army, says that the Russian forces reached Shilshun today, the Japs following them.

A severe rear guard action was fought all day.

The Russians evacuated Anshan-shan Saturday, retreating northward.

A small rear guard action is in progress. The Japs are disappointed as they expected a decisive battle at Anshan-shan.

London, Sept. 3.—Despatches from the seat of war are meager. Kuropatkin has crossed the Taizze river and is fortifying himself. Liao Yang is burning from the effects of Japanese shells or Russians destroying the stores.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3.—The correspondent with the battery on Koulack Hill, to the left of the railway line at dawn on Monday, when the Japs guns opened, says:

"It was a simultaneous salute by hundreds of cannon, and during the first hour the firing was simply terrific.

We were under a perfect rain of shrapnel, bullets and splinters of shells. The Japs did not know the country or location of defence, so they constantly shifted their batteries trying to search our position.

It was in the course of these manoeuvres that Koulack Hill became the object of interest to Japa's artillery men.

The sight was beautiful but terrible, and although we were masked and well protected, the side of our hill was rent and torn by bursting shells. Dirt, dust and rocks flew, and sand and smoke hung like a golden halo over our heads.

We watched the shells fall upon ruins of a thousand year old watch tower, where they completed the ravages of centuries.

The Japs got our range and tried to enfilade us from the village on the right. Here we had the advantage in range and simply smothered them with shells. Consequently the Japs withdrew hurriedly. A second attempt to enfilade was made at ten this morning but it again failed.

We swept the Chinese cornfields whence the fire came and turned out the Japs gunners like a nest of angry wasps. A rifle brigade held the village of Maitung against rolling waves of Japanese infantry, agnast that position time and time again until our reserves swept down and cleared the front at the point of the bayonet.

The fight was not stopped by darkness. The scene was infinitely more beautiful as the hills were lighted by the glare, glowing batteries which had been scarcely visible in daylight. The thousands of shells became a pyrotechnic spectacle while lines of wires cracked and quivered back and forth where the infantry was holding our trenches against creeping Japanese columns. The latter had almost reached the trenches of the 24th regiment, aided by darkness.

The men who were supper, consisting of black bread, turned out quickly and drove off the Japanese with their bayonets. Then they returned to there sorely needed meal.

Tokio, Sept. 6.—Kuropatkin has succeeded by a desperate rear guard action and strong, well handled flank movements in withdrawing the great bulk of the Russian army from Liao Yang. He has cut the bridges to hamper the Jap pursuit.

Kuroki swung to the westward to flank the remainder of the Russians at Liao Yang itself. Kuroki may not succeed owing to the Russians overwhelming numbers and topographical difficulties.

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Wetaskiwin Fair Prize List

October 6th and 7th.

The following is a partial list of the prizes which will be offered here on the above dates:

Class 22. Plymouth Rock

1—Cock	\$ 50	\$ 25
2—Hen	50	25
3—Cockerel	50	25
4—Pullet	50	25

Class 23. Wyandottes

1—Cock	\$ 50	\$ 25
2—Hen	50	25
3—Cockerel	50	25
4—Pullet	50	25

Class 24. Brahmans

1—Cock	\$ 50	\$ 25
2—Hen	50	25
3—Cockerel	50	25
4—Pullet	50	25

Class 25. Games

1—Cook	\$ 50	\$ 25
2—Hen	50	25
3—Cockerel	50	25
4—Pullet	50	25

Class 26. Turkeys, Geese and Ducks

1—Pair Turkeys	\$ 75	\$ 50
2—Pair Geese	75	50
3—Pair Ducks	75	50

Class 27. Grain

1—Red Eife Wheat, one bushel	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.00
2—Fall Wheat, one bushel	1.00	50
3—Ladoga Wheat, one bushel	1.00	1.00
4—Barley (six rowed) one bushel	1.00	1.00
5—Barley (two rowed) one bushel	1.00	1.00
6—White Hulless Barley, one bushel	1.00	1.00
7—White Oats (for milling) one bushel	1.00	1.00
8—Oats, (for feed) one bushel	1.00	1.00
9—Rye, one bushel	1.00	1.00
10—Flax Seed, one peck	1.00	1.00
11—Timothy Seed, one peck	1.00	1.00

Class 28. Root and Field Crop

1—Swede Turnips, six roots	\$ 1.00	\$ 50
2—White Turnips, six roots	1.00	50
3—Any other variety of Turnips, six roots	1.00	50
4—Red Carrot, six roots	1.00	50
5—Marrow, six roots	1.00	50
6—Potatoes, red, one bushel	1.00	50
7—Potatoes, white, one bushel	1.00	50
8—Collection of Potatoes, six each, not less than six varieties, correctly named	2.00	1.50

Class 29. Garden Vegetables

1—Long Beet, six roots	\$ 1.00	\$ 50
2—Turnip Beet, six roots	1.00	50
3—Carrot, six roots	1.00	50
4—Parsnip, six roots	1.00	50
5—Onions, from sets, one dozen	1.00	50
6—Onions, from Sets, one dozen	1.00	50
7—White Cabbage, three heads	1.00	50
8—Red Cabbage, three heads	1.00	50
9—Cauliflower, three heads	1.00	50
10—Celeri, six roots	1.00	50
11—Tomato, six	1.00	50
12—Zucchini, six	1.00	50
13—Pumpkin, one	1.00	50
14—Squash, two	1.00	50
15—Citron, three	1.00	50
16—Corn, three ears	1.00	50
17—Collection of Vegetables	2.00	1.50

Class 30. Dairy Produce

1—Butter, in brick or crock, 20 lbs	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.00
2—Butter, in roll or print, 5 lbs	2.00	1.00
3—Cheese, home-made	2.00	1.00

Class 31. Provisions

1—Bread, home-made	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.00
2—Buns, home-made	1.50	1.00
3—Mixed Pickles, two bottles, each bottle to contain	1.50	1.00
4—Layer Jelly Cake	1.50	1.00
5—Best Wild Fruit preserved in pint bottles	1.50	1.00
6—Honey, extracted or in comb	1.50	1.00

Class 32. Miscellaneous

1—Hard Soap, home-made	\$ 1.00	\$.75
2—Collection of House Plants, Two prizes, 1st and 2nd, each a handsome picture by the Royal Crown Soap Co.	1.00	.75
3—Crochet Work	75	.50
4—Rug Carpet (woven)	75	.50
5—Fancy Knitting	75	.50
6—Horse Spun Yarn	75	.50
7—Silk Crochet Goshion	75	.50
8—Sofa Cushion	75	.50
9—Tufted Quilt	1.00	.75
10—Knitted Quilt	2.00	1.00
11—Crochet Quilt	2.00	1.00
12—Patchwork Quilt	1.00	.75
13—Crazy Patchwork Quilt	1.00	.75
14—Satin	50	.25
15—Garter Socks	50	.25
16—Knitted Mitts	50	.25
17—Knitted Stockings	75	.50
18—Sample of Darling	50	.25
19—Home-made Shirt	1.00	.50
20—Outlining	1.00	.50
21—Embroidery with silk	1.00	1.00
22—Oil Painting	1.00	1.00
23—Water Color Painting	2.00	1.00
24—Water Color Painting	2.00	1.00
25—Pencil or Crayon Drawing	2.00	1.00
26—Painting on Fabric	2.00	1.00

Class 33. Children's Work

For Children under 11 years

1—Plain Sewing	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.25
2—Plain Knitting	50	25
3—Half Dozen Button Holes	50	25
4—Samples of Fancy Work	50	25

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**Gy Warman's Story
of a Squatter**

Gy Warman's story of a squatter in the Edmonton district.

As we near Edmonton, the kitchen gardens are more and more in evidence about the farm houses. The potatoes are big high to the boy who is killing them. All day along the way I have seen women or children gathering something in the fields or open prairies. Now a woman passes under my window as we slow up for a station and I see down in a quart cup she carries. It is full of small red-ripe strawberries. I spoke to the German and he told me there were plenty of wild strawberries growing here. Once, he said, he took his entire family out, his wife and nine children, and they gathered a washtub full of gooseberries in an afternoon. Some of us smiled but his daughter who sat beside him, said it was so, and when we looked into her big honest eyes we did believe.

As the afternoon wears away and we are doing the last half of the last hundred miles, their lies, on either side of our train, a land as one will see in many days travel.

Broad, level vales dotted with clumps of willows, vast reaches of rolling plains, whose downs are dappled with patches of wild flowers fringed with popular groves. Sure, here lies the sportsman's paradise, for ever across the open space from clump to clump, wild chickens are hurrying with their young.

Whatever these vast regions hold for future settlers, whether it be good land or bad land, it is certain, glorious, inspiring, and fair to look upon.

For hours we ride with a long low ridge, a miniature mountain range, beside us bulking blue against the grey eastern sky. Along the lap of this low range lies an almost unbroken chain of ranches. They seem, through the haze of six or seven miles of sunlight, to sit on the slope like painted pictures on easels, tipped to catch the sun. Here, not many years ago, a large land company secured a strip of land 18 by 30 miles, for which the paid \$1 an acre. It has all been sold to settlers, and is now thanks to the pathfinders who built the railway, worth \$10 to \$20 an acre. I was told by trappers, travellers and settlers that this ridge, or range, is only from five to ten miles wide, that it is full of coal, and that along the eastern slope newcomers had marked out new homes and were prosperous and happy. All through this chimney fanned region horses range the year round, cattle are fed in winter—fed on wild hay—but are never housed. Only the calves have an open shed. Three years ago there was no sleighing in Northern Alberta. Last year drifts were all melted by the first of February. While the municipal snowplows were bucking the beautiful from the choked streets of the towns in Ontario, in the middle of April last the farmers in the far North West were preparing to plow their fields, such is the far reaching effect of the gentle Japanese current, and the consequent warm west wind.

Judge for Western Fair

Mr. Will Sharman, of this city, western representative for the North-West Farmer, has been advised by the Department of Agriculture at Regina to act as official live stock judge at the following fairs:

Maple Creek, Medicine Hat, Olds, Macleod, Red Deer, Wetaskiwin, Okotoks, Pincher Creek, Cardston, Caymond. The directors of these fairs will be fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Sharman, who is one of the best posted live stock men in the west, and has been a breeder both in this country and in Ontario.—Brandon Sun.

New Post Offices Opened
The following new post offices have been opened in the west beginning Sept. 1st.

Sturgenville, 15, 56, 22w, 4, Alta.—H. E. Rudd, postmaster.
Kolomea, 18, 15w, 4, Alberta
Peter Svorich, postmaster.
Round Hill, 30, 48, 18w 4, Alta.—E. Bosmans, postmaster.
Telforville, 31, 45, 1w, 5, Alta.—J. E. Smith.
Spring Point, 12, 9, 29w, 4, Alta.—John M. Bratton.

Gold for Cream

In the six years of its operation under government management the Innisfail creamery has produced 564,290 lbs of butter, receiving therefore \$112,893.62. Of this amount 142,372 lbs, realising \$27,334.41, nearly 25 per cent, was made in the summer season of 1903. This year the output will be still greater, probably nearing 300,000 lbs. The average price during the six years was a trifle over 20 cents per lb. The make in 1903 was nearly 20,000 lbs greater than any other creamery in the Territories ever made. Churchbridge was second, the make there in 1901 being 121,419 lbs.

The Tindall creamery (4 miles west) has been in operation five years. During this period it realized \$35,249.13, the make being 191,207 lbs. In 1903 the make was 51,169 lbs.

Red Deer government creamery received \$73,722.96 for 364,994 lbs. in six years.

The Olds creamery has had four years during which 141,714 lbs. of butter were made, realising \$27,994.49.

The output for August at Innisfail is still ahead, the weekly returns being as follows:—

Week Ending	Crème Butter	Butter
August 4th	3789.0	5221
13th	3758.0	8092
20th	6273.0	7050
27th	6062.0	7800
Total	25,362.8	33,354

Wetaskiwin Times.—The creamery was closed down last week for want of sufficient patronage to pay expenses. The milk is now being sent to LaCombe creamery.

Apparently Wetaskiwin farmers do not realize what a veritable gold mine there is in a creamery properly conducted and well supported.—Free Lance.

SYEA

Miss Karin Kallman came home from Wetaskiwin last week in company with Miss Eastman of Wetaskiwin. Miss Kallman has been in Wetaskiwin for a long time and has well earned a vacation.

Mr. Flack went to Wetaskiwin last Monday with a load of oats.

Mr. A. Johnson came home from B.C. last where he has been for some time working for the C. P. R.

A. Humphrey and Chas. A. Johnson went to Wetaskiwin last Wednesday on business.

J. P. Kallman is building a stable 16 x 25. He intends to keep all his stock inside this winter as he thinks snow in to poor to fatten cattle on.

Chas. A. Johnson and B. Smith, the school teacher at Fair, had a target practice last Monday. Both scored fairly well.

Mr. Mortenson of Manfield was up cutting his grain this week. Mr. Mortenson rented Humfrey's quarter section this year.

If You Are Losing Weight

Your system is out of order and Reform is needed to set it right again. Eat well, exercise, form wholesome blood, strengthen the nerves and keeps your physical condition up to the proper level.

"I have often heard of Ferrozone," writes Cyril Lash of Kortford, "and soon regarded my health as a serious matter. I have used Ferrozone with great benefit to my health by using Ferrozone. It is the best rehydrator and finest tonic I ever used. Price 50c, at druggists.

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"What is your object?" asked the detective.

"I've got to remove a portion of a drummer's cheek, who was hurt in a railway wreck," exclaimed the M.D., "and I need the assistance of a man who understands drilling and blasting."

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Important Notice

According to the new postal law a newspaper publisher can hold for fraud anyone who takes a paper from the post office and refuses payment, and the man who allows his subscription to be unpaid and then orders a delivery makes a violation of the law and is held responsible for the damage done to the publisher, lays himself liable to arrest and fine.

DICKSON'S**August Stock-Clearing Sale**

In the second month of our Great Stock-Cleaning Sale there will be even more attractive features and bigger bargains than ever. Up and down the length of each department the knife of reduction has left deep gashes in the price of nearly every line of merchandise that is summary in its make-up.

Dress Muslins

All are bought under the sway of this stock-clearing up sale, the original prices were nearly 1-3 more than we are asking for them to-day.

10c White Stripe Muslin 7c.

15c White Stripe Muslin 11c.

20c White Stripe Muslin 15c.

25c White Spot Muslin 20c.

30c White Spot Muslin 22c.

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We will close out 5 doz. Men's Starch Front Cold Shirts, in broken sizes, worth from \$1 to \$1.25, each for

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A. R. DICKSON**The Loss is Half a Million**

There is little being discussed

in the timber business outside the disastrous fire in British Columbia.

At this writing the loss to the province in royalties is estimated at half a million. As the royalty to the Government is 50 cents a thousand it is easily reckoned that the estimated loss of timber at \$5 a thousand would be ten times that or \$5,000,000, or in other words, that the forest fires have destroyed to date a million feet of choice timber.

The end is not yet at the present time there is no sign of rain and the waters adjacent to the British Columbia coast cities and the cities as well are shrouded in smoke.

Fires have also done much damage to mine property.

From Cranbrook comes word that the forest fires in that district are becoming much worse. New fires are breaking out daily and the ones already started are constantly spreading.

Between Kootenay Landing and Crow's Nest the C.P.R. has 250 men fighting fire. Two bad fires are racing near Cranbrook. East of Kootenay river the fires are still burning fiercely and in some cases towns have been endangered.

A dispatch from Lethbridge states that great damage has been done there, the Gold Cup camp is threatened and large areas of timber have been burnt over.

Much damage has been done in the vicinity of Revelstoke while the big destructive fires all along the coast and on Vancouver Island continue to burn fiercely without check or hindrance. Needless to say British Columbia is praying for rain. The smoke has obscured the sun for about ten days.

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